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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA

: Director, National Foreign Assessment Center

FROM

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Coordinator for Academic Relations, NFAC

SUBJECT

: The Next DCI Discussion/Dinner Topic

In the memorandum I wrote you last April on future discussion/dinner topics one was listed as "lags in Soviet technological advances". Your comment on the topics suggested was that they "sounded interesting." You added, though: "I'd like to get a higher level of outside participants by broadening topics some." I trust that the following will satisfy that wish.

I have been working this subject up with the NIO/SS shop, who is our expert on the subject. subject is not an easy one to define or discuss, so we propose to rely heavily on our outside guests, four or five of the following 18 AUG 1918 (listed in order of preference):

Dr. Frank Press, the President's Science Advisor (Professor of Geology at MIT)

Dr. Eugene Fubini, Chairman, Defense Science Board, former member of the US-USSR Joint Commission on Science and Jechnology (JCS&T)

Dr. Herbert Fusfeld, Director of Research, Kennecott Corporation and current member, the US-USSR JCS&T

Prof. Joseph Berliner, Brandeis University

Dr. Betsy Anker-Johnson, Assoc. Dir. Argonne National Laboratory and former member of the US-USSR JCS&T STAT

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- Dr. Lewis Banscomb, Vice President and Chief Scientist IBM Corp., current member of the US-USSR JCS&T
- Dr. Guy Stever, former President's Science Advisor and former US Chairman, the US-USSR JCS&T
- Dr. Edward David, Vice President, Exxon Corp., former President's Science Advisor, former Chairman, the US-USSR JCS&T
- Dr. Arthur Bueche (pron. "Beekey"), Director of Research and Development, General Electric Co.
- Dr. Nancy Nimitz, Soviet area analyst, the RAND Corp.
- 3. It is proposed that we focus the discussion on the following questions:

What factors explain the paradox that the USSR's gigantic investment in S&T produces the largest S&T community in the world, which nevertheless lags behind the US in most S&T areas?

Why is the Soviet performance in military S&T relatively better than in civilian S&T?

Attached are two articles we might circulate as background material.

4. Owing to the difficulty of arranging for the attend	ance of our
quests at an earlier date and various travel plans	and your
own) the first available time for the discussion/dinner will	probably be
towards the middle of October.	

5. We propose to invite the following from the Agency:

Ambassador Carlucci	(or	if	the	DDCI	cannot
attend)	L				
Dr. Bowie					
Dr. Stevens					
Dr. Paul Walsh					

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Dr. Leslie Dirks Dr. Karl Weber (or Mr. Hans Heymann  With and myself, and four guests from outside, this will make a dinner guest list of 15, of whom 13 or 14 may be expected to attend.	STAT
<ol><li>Please indicate any changes you wish in the plans and (hopefully) your general approval.</li></ol>	
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